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AMENDMENT ACommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2002, please amend the
above-identified Application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add new claim 17 as follows:

17. (New) A magnetoresistive transducer comprising:

a magnetoresistive film extending over a surface of a fundamental layer;